
Health Alert: Conjunctivitis Outbreak

It appears that our student residences have been experiencing an outbreak of conjunctivitis, also known as "Pink Eye," since Friday, 23rd of February 2024. On the other hand, students who don't stay in the residences have also presented with the signs and symptoms of Conjunctivitis at the Campus Health Clinic.

More than thirty (30) students have reported having conjunctivitis symptoms since then. A few students received treatment and care at the Campus Health clinic, while more than twenty (20) students received treatment in state-run hospitals.

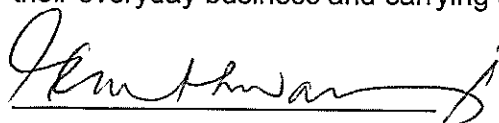
Similarly, conjunctivitis (cases) patients have been found at other nearby facilities & Higher Education Institutions in the eThekweni District.

Student Housing and Campus Health Services work together to manage the impacted students.

The Housing Team has been informed of the existence of State and eThekweni Health services close to MUT leased residences. The list will be distributed to all those who need a referral.

The ill students have been and will continue to be granted time off for recover and self-isolation to stop the spread of infection. This is crucial in reducing the significant disruption of academic activities.

The MUT community is requested to exercise caution rather than fear when going about their everyday business and carrying out their responsibilities.



HoD Campus Health Services

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